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New Jersey FFA Association

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In Cooperation with New Jersey Department of Education



PLEASE PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO CHANGES ON CALENDAR.

Dates for events are firm. Details on events are made available to every teacher of agriculture one month before the event via email or website. Due dates for applications are absolute. Applications must be postmarked by the date indicated or they will not be accepted. Pre-registration with payment by due dates is necessary to run efficient events.

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September 1 Thursday	September Member of the Month Applications due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls		
September 12 Monday	State Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Streets, Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm		
September 15 Thursday	Update forms are Due for New Jersey Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources Education Programs and Related Organizations Directory http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/ag_ed/update_form.xls (blank update form)		
September 16 Friday	Pre-registration Due for Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference		
September 16-18 Fri - Sun	Regional FFA Career Development Events for 1 st Place Team Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA. http://www.thebige.com/		
September 16 Friday	Pre-registration for Chapter Officer Leadership Training Conference due in State Office. http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/6.000a.pdf announcement http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/6.000a.pdf announcement http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/6.000b.xls registration		
September 30 Friday	Fall Agricultural Education Teachers Conference Burlington Eco Complex – Burlington, NJ, 8:30am – 3:30pm		
September 30 Friday	Star State Award Applications Due (Greenhand – 14.016a, Chapter- 14.016b) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.016a.xls - Greenhand http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.016b.xls - Chapter Agribusiness, Placement, Farmer or Agriscience Award Areas		
October 1 Saturday	October Member of the Month Applications due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls CHAPTER OFFICER NAMES, ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS DUE IN THE STATE OFFICE		

(REQUIRED TO RETAIN A CHAPTER'S CHARTER) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/1.004a.xls

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October 3 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm		
October 7-8 Fri Sat.	Chapter Officer Leadership Training Conference, YMCA Conference Center at Camp Bernie, Port Murray, NJ (12:00 pm Fri 7:00 pm Sat.) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/6.000a.pdf announcement		
October 12 Wednesday	State FFA Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm		
October 18 Tuesday	State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:30 pm		
October 21 Friday	Pre-registration due for Fall Career Development Events Fee: \$7/contestant http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/7.000a.pdf rules http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/7.000a.pdf registration		
October 25- 29 Tues – Sat.	78th National FFA Convention and National FFA Career Development Events http://www.ffa.org/convention/index.html		
November 1 Tuesday	November Member of the Month Application due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls		
November 7 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm		
November 17 Thursday	Fall Career Development Events, Cook College, 9:30 am -1:30 pm 1. Land Judging http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/7.005.pdf 2. Dairy Foods http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.001.htm 3. Turf Management http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/7.002.pdf identification http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/7.000a.pdf rules		
December 1 Thursday	December Member of the Month Application due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls		
	CHAPTER PROGRAMS OF WORK/ACTIVITIES DUE IN THE STATE OFFICE (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER CHARTERS) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/1.004b.xls Access Electronic Roster from National FFA website (it will become unavailable after Jan. 1) for updating and submission to the State Office by Jan. 31		
	http://www.ffa.org/membership/index.htm		
December 5 Monday	State FFA Association Monthly Meeting , NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1 st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm		
December 7 Wednesday	State FFA Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm		
December 22 Thursday	Pre-registration due for State Officer Candidate's School		

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January 1 January Member of the Month Application due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls Sunday TBA State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 9:00 am January 14 State Officer Candidate's School, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Saturday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Auditorium, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (Snow Date: January 28) January 17 State FFA Foundation Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Tuesday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:30 pm January 27 State Officer Banquet Speech Workshop, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st Floor Auditorium, 5:30 pm Friday January 31 STATE AND NATIONAL DUES - DUE IN STATE OFFICE Tuesday (REQUIRED TO RETAIN CHAPTER'S CHARTER – MAY BE PAID ANY TIME PRIOR TO THIS DATE) \$11.00-member A \$75 late fee will be assessed if not paid by January 31st. February Member of the Month Application due (5.001) February 1 Wednesday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls February 1 Pre-registration for NJ FFA Horticultural Exposition (NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PRE-Wednesday REGISTRATION) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/13.003.pdf Rules http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/13.003a.xls Registration Chapter Nominations for Distinguished Service due to State Office http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.018.xls Chapter Nominations for Honorary State Degree due to State Office http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.019.xls February 3 Pre-registration for Legislative Leadership Day Event Friday February 6-8 NJ State Agriculture Convention - Tropicana, Atlantic City Mon. - Wed. February 6 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm Monday February 8 State FFA Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Wednesday Warren & Market Sts., 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm. Agriscience Fair Registration, Application, and Abstracts Due to State Office (Please note -5 copies of the abstract are due with the application)

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February 18-26

Sat. - Sun.

February 23

Thursday

Advocacy and Legislative Leadership Event – Trenton, NJ

National FFA Week – Chapter promotion of FFA Week http://www.ffa.org/programs/ffaweek/index.html

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March 1 March Member of the Month application due (5.001) Wednesday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls

Landscape Design Plans (13.004) due into the State Office

NJ Dept. of Agriculture

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/13.004.pdf Rules

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/13.004a.pdf Supplemental info. http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/13.004b.xls Registration

Preregistration for Spring Agricultural Education Teachers Conference Due

March 3 Floral Design Career Development Event, Burlington Center Mall,

Friday 2501 Burlington – Mount Holly Road, Burlington, NJ

March 3 - 5 NJ FFA Horticultural Expo, Burlington Center Mall, Burlington, NJ, 8:30am

Fri. - Sun. http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/13.003.pdf

March 6 **State FFA Association Monthly Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Monday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm

Note: HSPA Testing is March 7-9, 2006 with Retesting March 14-16, 2006

March 8 Agriscience Fair, Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ, 3:30pm

Wednesday http://www.ffa.org/programs/ag_sci/student

Pre-registration for Ag Business Management CDE http://www.nj.gov/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.002.htm

March 15 State and American Degree Applications are due

Wednesday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.007.xls - State

http://www.ffa.org/programs/degree/index.html- American

Proficiency Award Applications Due

http://www.ffa.org/programs/proficiency/index.html

March 16 Spring Agricultural Education Teachers Conference - TBA

Thursday

March 21 Pre-registration for Spring Career Development Events Fee: \$7.00

Tuesday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/7.000.pdf

March 22 Agricultural Business Management Career Development Event Administered

Wednesday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.002.htm

April 1 Nominating Committee Application Due

Saturday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.004.xls

Applications are due for the following awards presented at the convention:

The following applications can also be found on the New Jersey FFA Website at http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/state.htm

1. State FFA Scholarship Applications (14.008)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.008.xls

2. Advisor of the Year Application (14.009)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.009.xls

3. National Chapter Award Application Form I and Form II

http://www.ffa.org/programs/natchap/index.html

4. **Superior Chapter Application** (National Chapter Award Form I)

 $\underline{http://www.ffa.org/programs/natchap/index.html}$

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April 1 Applications Due (Continued)

5. **Most Improved Chapter Application** (15.014)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/15.014.xls

6. **Member of the Year Application** (5.001)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls

7. **FFA Week Application** (15.013)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/15.013ffaweek.xls

8. National Agriscience Student & Teacher of the Year Applications http://www.ffa.org/programs/ag_sci/index.html

9. **Essay Event** (14.024)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.024.pdf

10. WLC Scholarship Application (14.022)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.022.xls

11. Agri-Entrepreneurship Award

http://www.ffa.org/programs/ag ent/index.html

12. H.O. Sargent Award

http://www.ffa.org/programs/hosargent/index.html

April 1 Saturday

Pre-registration for Livestock/Dairy Judging CDEs

Dairy -http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.007.htm Livestock -http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.008.htm

April Member of the Month Application due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls

April 3 Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm

April 4 Tuesday

Spring Career Development Events, Cook College, Rutgers University

9:30 am -1:30 pm, Fee: \$7.00 per member

1. Agricultural Mechanics

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.010.htm

2. Floriculture

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.005.htm

3. Nursery/Landscape

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.006.htm

4. Ag Sales

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.004.htm

5. Natural Resources and the Environment

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.011.pdf

April 7 Friday

Delegates, Courtesy Corps and Members names pre-registered for State Convention/Contests due for 77th State FFA Convention Advisor Assurance Forms are due with Convention Registration. Registration for the events listed below are due and included on the registration form. Announcement - http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.000.pdf Registration - http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.002.xls

3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Speeches due April 7th)
 Ten typewritten copies of speeches (with cover page to include Title of Speech, Contestant, Chapter and State, and Name of Event) due at State FFA Office on this date for distribution to judges. Those who do not submit 10 copies of their speech on time will not be registered to compete. http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/15.003.pdf (3-5)
 http://www.ffa.org/programs/cde/html/cde_events.htm#pps (6-8)

2. Demonstration (Outline Due April 7)

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http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.006.pdf

- 3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.009.htm
- Creed

http://www.ffa.org/programs/cde/documents/cde_creed.pdf

- Extemporaneous Public Speaking http://www.ffa.org/programs/cde/html/cde_events.htm#eps
- 6. Portable Exhibit

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.005.pdf

- 7. **Job Interview** (14.017) (**Job Interview materials due April** 7th)

 Ten copies of resume, cover letter and letters of reference are due at State FFA

 Office on this date for distribution to judges. *Those who do not submit 10 copies*of their materials on time will not be registered to compete.

 http://www.ffa.org/programs/cde/html/cde_events.htm#ji
- 8. Agricultural Issues Forum (Portfolio due April 7th)
 http://www.ffa.org/programs/cde/html/cde_events.htm#agissues Rules
- 9. Official Ceremonies

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/15.015.pdf

10. Tractor Driving (15.002) (Safety Assurance Form due April 7th) found on the convention registration due on this date. http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/15.002.htm

April 12 Wednesday

State FFA Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm State Officer's Retiring Address Workshop

April 13 Thursday

Applications Judged by State Awards Selection Committee, Northwest & Central Teacher Representation, NJ Dept. of Agriculture, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

April-TBA Saturday

State FFA Livestock & Dairy Career Development Events Delaware Valley College, Doylestown, PA, 8:15 am-3:00 pm

Dairy - http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.007.htm Livestock - http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.008.htm

April 18 Tuesday

State FFA Foundation Meeting, Floor, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:30 pm

May 1 Monday

May Member of the Month Application due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls

State Officer Applications Due (15.001)

http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/15.010.xls

May 1 Monday

State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 4:00 pm

May 21 & 22 Sun.- Mon.

State officer set up and practice for state convention

May 23 - 25 Tues. - Thurs.

77th State FFA Convention, Cook College, Rutgers University.

Pre-registration required. *Events to be held:*

- 1. 3-5 and 6-8 minute Public Speaking (15.003) (Registration and 10 copies of speech Due April 7)
- 2. Demonstration (14.006) (Registration and Outline Due April 7)
- 3. Charles Drawbaugh Parliamentary Procedure Contest (Registration Due April 7th)
- 4. Creed (15.006) (Registration Due April 7th)
- 5. Extemporaneous Public Speaking (Registration Due April 7th)

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6. Portable Exhibit (14.005) (Application Due April 7th)

7. Job Interview (14.017) (Registration and materials Due April 7th)

8. Agricultural Issues Forum (Portfolio Due April 7th)

9. Official Ceremonies (15.015) (Registration Due April 7th)

10. Tractor Driving (15.002) (Registration and Safety Assurance Due April 7th)

11. Landscape Design (13.004) (Registration due March 1)

June 1 Thursday June Member of the Month Application due (5.001) http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/5.001.xls

National FFA Band or Chorus or Talent Application Due to State Office

http://www.ffa.org/convention/html/pln_bandchorustalent.htm

Pre-registration for Summer Career Development Event

(To be held at Delaware State Fair)

Poultry - http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.003.htm

Dairy Handlers' http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/12.012a.pdf Horse Evaluation - http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/11.002.htm

June 5 **State FFA Association Monthly Meeting**, NJ Dept. Of Agriculture Monday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, State Board Room, 4:00 pm

June 7 **State FFA Alumni Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Wednesday Warren & Market Sts., 1st floor, Board Room, 6:00 pm

June 9 National Career Development Event Certifications, Waivers and Eastern States

Friday Exposition Vehicle Reservation Forms Due

June 10-11 State Officer Leadership Training Conference, sponsored by New Jersey FFA

Sat. - Sun. Alumni, University Inn and Conference Center, New Brunswick

June 26 - 28 **BLAST Off** - State Officer Training Conference, TBA

Mon. –Wed.

July 10 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, NJ, 9 am - 4 pm

July Forestry Career Development Event with Maryland FFA Association

(Tentative) (Details to follow)

July 18 **State FFA Foundation Meeting**, NJ Dept. of Agriculture Tuesday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, 1st floor, Board Room, 6:30 pm

July **Dairy Handlers' Career Development Event** at Delaware State Fair

(Tentative) (Details to follow)

July Horse Career Development Event at Delaware State Fair (Details to follow)

(Tentative)

July Poultry Career Development Event at Delaware State Fair (Details to follow)

(Tentative)

July 25-29 **State Presidents' Conference,** Washington, D.C.

Tues-Sat. http://www.ffa.org/programs/conferences/html/conf_officers.html#SPC

August 1 2006 National Convention Scholarship Application Due Tuesday http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/rural/stguide/14.021.xls

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July 31 – Aug. 4 National Leadership Conference for State Officers, New Jersey

Mon. – Fri. http://www.ffa.org/programs/conferences/html/conf_officers.html#NLCSO

August 7 State FFA Association Monthly Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Monday Warren & Market Sts., Trenton, NJ, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

August 9 State FFA Alumni Meeting, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Wednesday Warren & Market Sts., 1st floor, State Board Room, 6:00 pm

Future National FFA Convention Dates:

Indianapolis, IN

Oct. 25-28, 2006 Oct. 24-27, 2007 Oct. 22-25, 2008 Oct. 21-24, 2009 Oct. 20-23, 2010 Oct. 19-22, 2011 Oct. 24-27, 2012

FFA Mission Statement

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

Definition of Agricultural Education for New Jersey

"Agricultural Education prepares people for careers and professional leadership in production, processing, marketing, and distribution of agricultural products, and for related careers in plant and animal technology (including aquatic life), economics, education, mechanics and engineering, natural resources and environmental technology, politics and sociology, and international relations and trade."

Definition of Supervised Agricultural Experience - SAE

"Planned, documented, practical activities conducted outside of the academic class time in which students develop and apply agricultural knowledge and skills"

SAE programs are supervised by teachers, employers, parents/guardians and other adults who assist students in achieving their objectives. The experiences are agriculture-based, supervised, experience-centered, and individualized to meet the needs of a diverse student clientele.